

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A holding apparatus for holding a vitreous body surgical contact lens, comprising:

 ~~an eyelid opener portions for pulling and opening~~ that pulls and opens an upper eyelid and a lower eyelid;

 ~~a holding portion connected to the vitreous body surgical contact lens for holding that holds~~ the vitreous body surgical contact lens on ~~the~~ an eyeball; and

 a connecting portion connected to the holding portion and the eyelid opener ~~portions~~ portion so that a position of the holding portion relative to the eyelid opener ~~portions~~ portion and the eyeball is adjustable.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The holding apparatus for holding the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 1,

 wherein said eyelid opener portions ~~have~~ has a structure in which a portion ~~for pulling that pulls~~ the upper eyelid and a portion ~~for pulling that pulls~~ the lower eyelid are integrated with an elastic portion therebetween.

4. (Currently Amended) The holding apparatus for holding the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 1,

 wherein said holding portion ~~for the vitreous body surgical contact lens~~ has a shape of a ring.

5. (Currently Amended) The holding apparatus for holding the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 1,

 wherein said connecting portion is composed of an elastic member.

6. (Currently Amended) The holding apparatus for holding the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 5,

wherein the elastic member is a cord body.

7. (Currently Amended) The holding apparatus for holding the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 5,

wherein the elastic member is silicone rubber.

8. (Currently Amended) The holding apparatus for holding the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 1,

wherein said holding portion ~~for the vitreous body surgical contact lens~~ has an engaging ~~portions~~ portion engaging with said connecting portion, and

wherein said connecting portion has a hole to be engaged with the engaging ~~portions~~ portion.

9. (Currently Amended) A holding portion, for holding a vitreous body surgical contact lens,

is connected to an eyelid opener portion ~~and that~~ pulls and opens an upper eyelid and a lower eyelid ~~to open the upper and lower eyelids~~ through a connecting portion, so that a position of the holding portion relative to the eyelid opener portion and an eyeball is adjustable and the vitreous body surgical contact lens is ~~thereby~~ held on the eyeball.

10. (Currently Amended) The holding portion for the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 9,

wherein a lower inner circumferential surface of a cylindrical body portion forming said holding portion ~~for the vitreous body surgical contact lens~~ is chamfered following a shape of the eyeball.

11. (Currently Amended) The holding portion for the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 9,

wherein a surface of ~~the~~ a cylindrical body portion forming said holding portion ~~for the vitreous body surgical contact lens~~ is frosted.

12. (Currently Amended) A connecting portion ~~connected to~~ for connecting a holding portion ~~for holding that holds~~ a vitreous body surgical contact lens to an eyelid opener portion ~~for pulling that pulls and opens~~ an upper eyelid and a lower eyelid ~~to open the upper and lower eyelid~~, so that a position of the holding portion relative to the eyelid opener portion and an eyeball is adjustable and the vitreous body surgical contact lens is ~~thereby~~ held on the eyeball.

13. (Currently Amended) The connecting portion according to claim 12, ~~further~~ comprising:

a closed loop member for connecting said holding portion for the vitreous body surgical contact lens having elasticity and being capable of connecting said holding portion for the vitreous body surgical contact lens in a semi-fixed state with friction ~~is a rubber member having a ring shape~~.

14. (Currently Amended) The connecting portion according to ~~claim 13~~ claim 18, wherein at least one or more engaging holes for engaging with engaging portions of said holding portion for the vitreous body surgical contact lens are provided in the closed loop member having a ring shape.

15. (Currently Amended) The connecting portion according to ~~claim 12~~ claim 18, wherein a substantially rectangular engaging hole is provided in ~~a~~ the closed loop member having a ring shape.

16. (Currently Amended) The holding portion ~~of~~ for the vitreous body surgical contact lens according to claim 9, ~~further~~ comprising an engaging portion engaged with the connecting portion in at least two places.

17. (Canceled)

18. (New) The connecting portion according to claim 13, wherein the closed loop member is a rubber member having a ring shape.